P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the United States was founded on the faith that man has God-given rights, including life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, the United States, founded upon this epic turning of mankind from tyranny to political and economic freedom, has grown to become spiritually, economically, and militarily the most powerful nation in the world; and

WHEREAS, the United States is now looked to by people in the captive nations of Communism, as in free nations of the world for inspiration and leadership; and

WHEREAS, our liberty has been strengthened by the contributions of Americans of many and diverse national backgrounds, including Albanian, Armenian, Bulgarian, Byelorussian, Carpatho-Russian, Chinese, Croation, Cuban, Cossack, Czech, Dutch, Finnish, French, Georgian, German, Greek, Spanish, Hungarian, Japanese, Idel-Uralian, Irish, Italian, Korean, Latvian, Lebanese-Syrian, Lithuanian, Polish, Portuguese, Filipino, Rumanian Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Turkestani, Ukrainian, and many others; and

WHEREAS, the world-renowned symbol of freedom to millions of Americans and to the entire world is the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor, which was dedicated to freedom on October 28, 1886; and since has remained as a beacon of hope to the millions of the world; and

WHEREAS, no human event in recent times so symbolizes mankind's thirst for freedom and rejection of tyranny as the Hungarian Revolution, which began October 23, 1956;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 25 through October 31, 1964, as

LIBERTY WEEK

at which time all citizens are urged to express their united support for the principles of liberty on which this great nation is founded; for the just aspirations of all captive peoples for independence and liberty and for responsible action toward the end of bringing freedom to peoples of the captive nations and to all peoples on earth. We further urge everyone to observe Liberty Week with appropriate prayers, speeches, rallies and ceremonies so that men and women all over the world will know of our commitment to maintain our freedom and to help strengthen the freedom and unity of the free world and all of its peoples.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed on this 26 day of October in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and sixty-four.

Archie Gubbrud

ARCHIE GUBBRUD, GOVERNOR

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